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1. APPRECIATE REFTEL REPORT. WE ARE DEFINITELY
INTERESTED IN SENDING SMALL STATE/SMITHSONIAN DELEGATION
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TO ATTEND REGIONAL CONFERENCE ON GULF POLLUTION IN KUWAIT,

JANUARY 19-24, 1974. DETAILS REGARDING MAKE-UP OF USDEL
AND NOTE REQUESTING OBSERVER STATUS FOLLOW BY SEPTTEL.

2. OUR DELEGATION WILL NOT RPT NOT ACTIVELY SEEK
OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS CONFERENCE. HOWEVER, WE WOULD
APPRECIATE KNOWING AS FAR IN ADVANCE AS POSSIBLE IF ANY
US REP WILL BE EXPECTED TO SPEAK. WE WOULD ALSO APPRE-
CIATE ANY INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON AGENDA PROPOSED, AND
WHETHER CONFERENCE IS DESIGNED SIMPLY TO DISCUSS
POLLUTION PROBLEMS IN GENERAL, OR CONVERSELY WHETHER
SECRETARIAT WILL BE PREPARING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR
ADOPTION BY CONFEREES AND SUBSEQUENT IMPLEMENTATION BY
GULF STATES.

3. RE NGO'S: AS GOK UNDOUBTEDLY AWARE, CERTAIN NGO'S
WITH INTERNATIONAL CHARACTER ARE ACCORDED OBSERVER STATUS
WITH UN THROUGH UNESCO. AT UN CONFERENCE ON HUMAN

ENVIRONMENT, LARGE NUMBER NGO'S WERE PRESENT. SOME
WERE ACCREDITED OBSERVERS AND OTHERS WERE SIMPLY PART
OF AUDIENCE. FIRST GROUP WAS PERMITTED TO ADDRESS
PLENARY SESSION, ALTHOUGH IN NUMBER OF CASES SINGLE
INDIVIDUALS SPOKE FOR MANY NGO'S. NGO'S DID NOT RPT NOT
HAVE RIGHT TO VOTE. IN US, THERE ARE MANY NGO'S HAVING
ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS AND DEPARTMENT HAS CONSULTED
THESE ORGANIZATIONS ON MATTERS OF INTEREST TO THEM.
NONE OF THESE GROUPS HAVE AN EXCLUSIVE CONCERN WITH
OCEANS.

4. WE ASSUME GOK IS NOTIFYING CONCERNED INTERNATIONAL
ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS ICSU (INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF
SCIENTIFIC UNIONS), IUCN (INTERNATIONAL UNION FOR
CONSERVATION OF NATURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES), AND IMCO
(INTERNATIONAL MARITIME CONSULTATIVE ORGANIZATION).

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